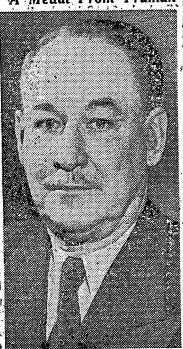
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Surprised Admiral Gets A Medal From Truman



Rear Admiral Sidney W. Souers The New York Times

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WASHINGTON Dec. 1—Rear Admiral Sidney W. Souers, first director of the Central Intelligence Agency and now a White House consultant on intelligence affairs, received the Distinguished Service Medal from President Truman today.

The award was made for the admiral's "keen foresight and tireless efforts toward fulfillment of a strong and effective security program".

The medal was presented by the President in his own private office. Mrs. Souers and a group of friends had been assembled without the admiral's knowledge, and a pretext was made to summon him to the office.

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